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In re Patent Application of:  
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For: Method of improving gene transfer efficiency  
into plant cells

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**AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL ACTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.116**

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**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

In response to the Office Action dated May 31, 2006, finally rejecting claims 1, 3-12, 14, 15, 17, 18, 20, 21, 23 and 24, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 5 of this paper.